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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification at the paragraphs listed below.

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 13 with the following:

Trunk gateways 104 provide the capability to ~~inter-work~~ inter-network bearer payload between legacy TDM trunks and packet based virtual trunks. Line or Access gateways 106 provide a similar interworking capability for subscriber lines. An integrated access device (IAD) 108 is a customer-located platform that delivers integrated voice and data services.

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 33 (which continues to page 3) with the following:

In the distributed architecture 100 of Figure 1, the signaling interface between a controlling switch 102 and gateways 104, 106, 108, also referred to as media gateways (MG) in the art, is commonly referred to as a vertical interface as it transcends the call control/application plane and the bearer/routing plans. In order to support a clear separation of call and bearer controls, a typical distributed architecture employs an open standard Gateway Control Protocol (e.g.; MGCP or MEGACO/H.248) across this vertical interface as shown generally by reference numeral ~~110~~ 111.

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 36 (which continues on to page 14) with the following:

Next, the invention provides the remaining handshaking protocol to complete the call. For purposes of example, the protocol for SS7 shall be used in this example, although other protocols are certainly within the scope of the invention. In step 527, an SS7 COT message is sent ~~to~~ by the switch 512. In step 528, the E-PSTN 506 returns an ACM SS7 message to the switch 512, for example. The switch, via the packet manager 514, in step 529 sends a modify

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message to the IMG 504 with connection information from the receiving call side. In step 530, the IMG 504 returns an acknowledge signal to the switch 512, via the packet manager 514. In step 531, the switch 512 sends an ACM message to the IPSTN 502.

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IN THE DRAWINGS

Attached herewith is a replacement sheet for Figure 1 that adds reference numeral 111. A corresponding amendment may be found to the specification above.